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BUDGET SPEECH TEXT

Because we feel that our readers will be interested, we are publishing the complete text of Hon. Solon E. Low's Budget Speech.

Mr. Speaker: Once again it is my privilege to move that the house resolve itself into a committee of supply for the consideration of sums to be granted to His Majesty.

This is the third occasion on which I have had the honor of moving this resolution, and I assure you, Mr. Speaker, that my responsibility is more keenly felt on this occasion even than it was on the first. I again take the opportunity of reviewing the statements of the province for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1938; the statement for the nine months period ended Dec. 31, 1938; and the estimates for the ensuing fiscal year ending March 31, 1940.

Before dealing with the financial statements, I should like to refer briefly to the productive income of the principal industries of the province and to certain phases of government business.

Dependent as we are upon the condition of agriculture, our major industry, the figures of production and value of our agricultural products will, I trust, impress upon the members of this assembly and upon the general public also, the urgency of the most careful and intensive study of the problems relating to this basic industry.

It is noteworthy that steps in this direction have already been taken at the instance of the

honorable, the premier of Manitoba through the setting up of a committee which it is hoped will accomplish something worth while in coordinating the varied opinions which exist as to the best methods of solving the agricultural problems.

The acreage seeded to wheat in 1938 of 7,969,000 acres yielded approximately 17.9 bushels per acre as against 9.7 bushels in 1937. The total estimated yield is 143,000,000 bushels as compared with 75,700,000 bushels in 1937.

It should be noted that although the production of 1938 showed an increase of 67,000,000 bushels over that of 1937, the farmers of this province will have received approximately \$82,940,000 as compared with \$77,214,000 for 1937, an increase of only \$5,726,000; the average price per bushel being \$0.58 as compared with \$1.02 per bushel the previous year.

Oats yielded 101,000,000 bushels, an increase of 24,000,000 bushels, valued at \$15,150,000, a decrease in value of \$11,800,000.

Summarized, the total grain crop is estimated at \$105,068,000, a decrease in value of over \$10,000,000 as compared with the value of the 1937 crop. Dairy production reached

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Montreal Social Crediters Score Again

MONTREAL.—On Sunday, February 19th, in spite of a severe storm bordering on the blizzard variety, more than 800 people came to a mass meeting organized by the Montreal District of the Q.S.C.L. under the chairmanship of R. J. Zanettin, President of the Montreal District.

"La grippe" which sickness is very much in evidence at this present time in Eastern Canada kept many people away because Montreal, which has about half of the population of the Province of Quebec, is getting more and more Social Credit minded, thanks to the consistent and tireless efforts of the boys who miss no opportunity, and often create opportunities to bring before the public that wonderful doctrine that we know as Social Credit. Even though more than 80% of the audience was made up of French speaking people Mr. J. H. Blackmore, M.P., speaking in English created a very favorable impression and his speech contained a great deal of food for thought. He said among other things that: the issuance of paper money to the amount of the country's annual production would solve the nation's economic problems by assuring that there would be sufficient money in circulation among the masses to enable the people to buy the product of their labor." He contended also that the Dominion Government instead of borrowing hundreds of millions of dollars by means of interest-bearing bonds, should issue suffi-

cient money to meet its obligation.

OTTAWA.—Speaking on the political situation in Ottawa Mr. Blackmore said that both Liberal and Conservatives depended upon two red herrings, the tariff and international trade, to draw public attention away from the real problems of the nation.

A surprise was sprung on the audience by the appearance, at the meeting, of Alderman J. M. Savignac, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Montreal City Council, who is next in importance to the mayor of the city. Called upon to speak Mr. Savignac said that although he was speaking as a private citizen he thought Social Credit a serious, constructive, non-political movement tackling the most glaring problems of the nation, lack of money among the masses. He also recommended that the public at large interest itself in Social Credit.

It is practically impossible at this time to estimate the favorable repercussion that his appearance and speech will have on our future developments, but I personally feel that his being among us that day is worth

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Thirty Branches Is Set Limit

Limit of 30 treasury branches has been set, these to be opened at "carefully selected points" according to Hon. Solon E. Low.

The Treasury Branch program will thus be boosted in branches alone to twice the present capacity.

At the same time, agencies will be opened wherever business warrants it.

Market Board Gets \$31,000

Estimates amounting to \$31,000 are included in the budget for establishment of a Marketing Board, which will operate in the province.

Provision is made for the post of chairman, four divisional chairmen and six inspectors.

Legislation setting up the board is expected in the current session.

Maternal Welfare Draws Vote

A vote of \$50,000 for maternal welfare is included in the estimates brought down by Hon. Solon E. Low. It will provide for additional district nurses and to provide maternity benefit where it is needed.

In addition, there is \$2,000 vote for cancer research. A Cancer Commission will be appointed and investigation into this rapidly spreading disease will be made.

Expenditure of \$43,000 is voted for construction of an additional home at Red Deer for mentally defective children.

\$30,000 is voted for construction of a farm dormitory at the Oliver Mental Institution. The new sleeping quarters will accommodate 60 patients of the less violent type.

\$73,000 is accounted for by an increase in old age pensions.

Infantile paralysis grant is \$20,500.

Travelling health clinic grant is increased \$5,000 to \$20,000.

Bank Nationalization Was 'Hypocrisy' Declares Herridge In Fighting Talk

Nationalization of the bank of "Canada" as a fulfillment of Mackenzie King's pledge to "do battle with the money power" was a purposeless hypocrisy, declared Herridge in a stirring address before the Forum Committee in Ottawa last night. Mr. Herridge pledged himself to give his best in the bringing together of Canada's citizens to "vote for what they want."

"A people's parliament will begin at the beginning," he stated. "It will have a free hand, owing nothing to any special class or interest." He declared that the principles of democracy would be re-established, labor will have fair play, the co-operative movement freedom and encouragement to expand, while the primary producer will no longer be the slave of greedy interests. "The dream of social security will be turned into law," he continued.

Text of the address follows:

I made a speech the other day in

which I said that Canada is in revolt against the status quo; that throughout this country, the people are rising in determined protest against poverty and unemployment; that they are resolved to put the natural wealth of Canada at the service of the people of Canada; and to reform the economic system, so that they may do so. I said that this great movement is in deadly earnest; that in it, are men and women of every class but one; that youth is

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Leadership 'Plague' Gets Little Support From Premier Aberhart

The so-called leadership league which the broadcasting McCullach has proposed, along with the abolition of provincial governments in favor of a central government receives no endorsement from Premier Aberhart. Replying to a correspondent Sunday evening, the Premier said that if people follow that idea there will be certainly an increase in taxation, debt, and interest charges.

In reply to the question whether social crediters should fill in the Toronto Globe and Mail ballots he continued:

"I have no advice to give you in the matter. Whether you sign a ballot or not is entirely up to your own judgment. I would think, however, that you size the matter up carefully first. If the conservatives did not give you good clean government when they were in office and if the liberals have not given you good clean government since they were in power, what makes you think you can get good clean government by putting together a few from each of these old-line parties in a coalition or national government.

"I can hardly understand a social

creditor asking such a question. You must be joking.

"Surely you do not hope to solve the present financial problem by a work and wage program such as Mr. McCullach proposes?"

REVERSE PROGRESS

"If we have been trying all down the ages by the invention of machinery to get rid of much of the hard manual labor that human beings have had to do, what kind of progress can it be that reverses the wheels and proposes to put all unemployed back to work? Shall we do away with all the latest machinery?"

"Listen, Galahad (the point from which the query came) you can send in a ballot if you like, but as a social creditor you must know that as long as present financial and monetary policies are left as they are, we can look forward to nothing but an alarming increase in debt, in interest charges and in taxes, if we follow Mr. McCullach's suggestions; that is, of course, if we keep up our present standard of social services, which I do not think are better than we should have.

"If you want these increases in debt, in interest and in taxes, then you had better send in a ballot and support the recommendations of the money barons, who are recommending a coalition or national government.

"I certainly will not tell anyone what to do in the matter. In my estimation, they are entirely foreign to progress in connection with the welfare of the people generally.

Budget Shows Increased Service For Agricultural and Social Field

Third budget brought down by Hon. Solon E. Low since he assumed the onerous duties of Provincial Treasurer showed increased estimates for services in agriculture, public health and nursing facilities, schools, mental patient services and other important phases of Alberta's social life.

Mr. Low's address is printed in full by Today and Tomorrow.

It is pointed out that on June 1 of this year there comes due the final payment from the C.P.R. and C.N.R. on the purchase of the N.A.R.,

which were sold by the provincial government for \$26,000,000 some years ago.

The banks get the final payment, however, as it was hypothecated to them by previous government.

No new tax forms are introduced, and no increase of taxation of individuals.

"Advertising Pays." Samson took two columns and brought down the house.

"Floods Stop Racing." No punters.

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a total of \$17,871,321, an increase of \$734,000. The volume of creamery butter showed an increase of 4,868,306 pounds. Livestock marketed was valued at \$27,389,920, a reduction of \$4,587,000. The value of all agricultural products is estimated at \$172,686,102 as compared with \$192,439,195, a decrease of \$19,753,093.

The marketing of agricultural products is challenging the attention of the best trained minds of the magnitude and importance that it must have the most careful, intensive study, not only by the province dependent upon the well-being of the agriculturist, but also by the government of the Dominion of Canada whose prosperity is inseparably bound up with the prosperity of the farmer.

BEET SUGAR INDUSTRY

The beet sugar industry records another successful year. While the acreage showed a slight decrease of 500 acres, it is most gratifying to note that with increased experience and better cultural methods, the yield per acre rose from 11.53 to 12.74 tons, and the estimated total yield will reach 251,000 tons.

It is also important to note that the company operating the two factories at Picture Butte and Raymond has entered into an agreement with the beet growers at Taber to establish another factory in that area by the year 1942.

It is felt that the sugar industry is vital to the success of southern irrigation districts, but here again, marketing becomes a problem, and it is hoped that expansion in the industry will be no faster than the establishment of market for the product.

The by-products of the sugar factories have contributed in large measure to the growth of an important stock-feeding and finishing activity that is yielding good returns to the feeders and which, at the same time, is helping to stabilize our beef and mutton market. This government is encouraging the formation of feeder associations in the sugar-producing areas, as well as in other parts of the province where feed is plentiful.

Turning now to the natural resources of our province, it is most gratifying to report a year of unprecedented development with respect to the production of petroleum. Notwithstanding proration, the production totalled 6,742,039 barrels, valued at \$8,638,926, an increase of over 3,900,000 barrels of oil, and an increase in value of \$3,724,966, as compared with the calendar year 1937.

During the period, 39 wells were completed in Turner Valley. Of these, 37 were commercial producers; one was abandoned and one is still under test. A new well some 17 miles northwest of the proven crude oil zone in the southern end of Turner Valley was brought in during the year, and greatly enlarged the present oil field. Some 13 wells are now being drilled on potential oil structures outside the Turner Valley field; and it is rea-

sonable to anticipate further extensions to the now further producing oil fields of the province.

During the year definite measures were taken by the government with respect to the conservation and orderly development of these resources. Already the petroleum and natural gas conservation board has implemented plans designed to minimize the wastage of gas and preserve the life of the field. The royal commission, also appointed by the government, is now conducting a probe into the price structure of petroleum products.

CONSUMPTION OF GAS

The value of natural gas consumed during the year at the well-head price of .04 per thousand cubic feet is \$1,073,993. Coal produced totalled 5,230,225 tons, worth \$130,689,758—a decrease in value of some \$750,000. Here, too, the marketing problem is being tackled seriously by the government. Production from the forests was valued at \$3,004,800, an increase of \$553,700.

Last year I mentioned the establishment of a salt plant at McMurray. The production during the year was confined to coarse salt, of which approximately 3,995 tons were marketed valued at \$39,950. I understand plans are under way for the processing of various grades of salt during the present year, and the volume marketed will, no doubt, be greatly in excess of the production last year.

The value of all products derived from the resources of the province totalled \$26,447,437, an increase of \$4,100,000 over that of the past year.

I am pleased to say that the increased value of the production from our resources is also reflected in the increased revenue received through the lands and mines department, the revenue for the year ended March 31, 1938, being \$1,606,156, while for the 10 months of the present fiscal year, that is to January 31, 1939, we have received the sum of \$1,580,000; and the estimate of revenue for the entire year will be exceeded, I am sure, Mr. Speaker, the policies inaugurated by this government have done much to encourage the development of these resources.

Turning now, Mr. Speaker, to certain financial undertakings of the government:

The Alberta Cooperative Rural Credit Act—The report setting out the operations of these societies has been tabled. The outstanding loans to members of the societies included in the Alberta Rural Credit corporation as at December 31, 1938, totalled \$1,419,681 as compared with \$1,486,272 on the corresponding date of the previous year. New loans made during this period amounted to \$39,826 and repayments totalled \$121,031. Loans were taken up by the province under its guarantee to the sum of \$80,807. Interest added during the year totalled \$95,421. The net reduction is shown at \$66,590.

As I have stated in my previous budgets, 20 of these societies are

located in that portion of the province defined as the drouth area; and of these, 12 are situated in the special areas. Many of the borrowers have removed to other parts of the province with a view to re-establishing themselves; and little can be accomplished in improving the position of these accounts.

The Alberta Cooperative Rural Credit Act—With respect to the sugar beet societies, loans made to members during the calendar year ended Dec. 31, 1938, totalled \$61,468; and all loans together with interest were fully paid as at Dec. 31, 1938.

Guarantees Implemented by the province—During the period from July, 1931, to Dec. 31, 1938, the province has implemented its guarantee in connection with these societies to the sum of \$496,565. Total collections made from the borrowers including \$12,644 collected during the calendar year ended Dec. 31, 1938, amounted to \$28,141. From the reserve fund of the Alberta Rural Credit corporation the treasury has been reimbursed to the amount of \$210,776 on principal and \$10,403 on account of interest—a total of \$221,179, leaving a balance owing the province of \$285,129 as at Dec. 31, 1938. Further repayments will be made from the accretions to the reserve fund.

LOANS IN LIQUIDATION

Outstanding loans to members of societies which were placed in liquidation in 1931 and not included in those incorporated as members of the Alberta Rural Credit corporation, to which I have previously referred, total \$390,268. Recoveries from all resources amounted to \$53,183, of which \$2,732 was collected during the year 1938. Many of these borrowers have abandoned their holdings, and others have placed their affairs under the Farmers' Creditors' Arrangement act, so that substantial recoveries are not possible.

Alberta Rural Credit Corporation

The capital and reserve fund of the corporation constitute a reserve against the loans outstanding in societies to which I have referred totalling as at Dec. 31, 1938, \$1,419,681. The paid-up capital of the corporation as at Dec. 31, 1938, totalled \$307,531 and the reserve fund, \$21,803, a total of \$329,335. During the year the sum of \$39,500 was paid to the treasury from the reserve fund on account of loans implemented by the province.

The policy of careful supervision of these loans will be continued, and a further sum of \$75,000 is provided in the estimates for the purpose of implementing the guarantee of the province with respect to loans which it is considered advisable to take up from the lending banks.

The Cooperative Marketing Associations Guarantee Act—Total loans to cooperate dairy associations under the guarantee of the province stood at \$189,560 as at March 31, 1938, reductions totalling \$22,065 having been made during that fiscal year. Subsequent payments of \$11,032 were made up to Jan. 31, 1939. Under the amendment to the act passed at the first session of the 1938 legislature, additional assistance to the amount of \$10,000 was furnished by guarantee, and the total liability of the province under its guarantee as at Jan. 31, 1939, amounted to \$188,474.

It should be remembered, Mr. Speaker, that the original liability of the province by way of guarantee with respect to these associations in 1929 when they commenced operations totalled \$414,560; and it is indeed gratifying to note that in addition to the dividends the producer members of these associations have received, the liability of the province during the period has been reduced by the substantial sum of \$226,086. The results to date have

clearly demonstrated the value of efficiently directed cooperative marketing enterprises.

ALBERTA WHEAT POOL

The cooperative organization known as the Alberta Wheat Pool again paid the instalment due on its debenture held by the province, bringing the payments up to a total of \$1,162,000. The original amount due the province of \$5,649, has now been reduced to \$4,487,000.

While, in common with all grain companies, they have experienced some difficulty in maintaining their earnings, they have held their liquid position, and have experienced no difficulty in meeting their debenture payments:

The Alberta Hail Insurance Board:

This board was constituted under legislation passed at the first session of the legislature in 1938. Operations of the municipal hail insurance board had been discontinued; and based on their experience, major changes were necessary if any further plan of hail insurance were to be evolved which would afford this form of crop protection at cost or on a non-profit basis, and without involving the province financially. Advances by the provinces totalling \$25,000 were made to meet the operating expenses, and the sum was repaid from collections.

It is most gratifying, Mr. Speaker, to report that our expectations were more than realized by the results of the board's operations during the past crop season.

Applications numbering 9,285 were accepted by the board covering 1,506,551 acres with a total risk of \$7,115,126. Total premiums payable amounted to \$613,861 and payments already received as at Jan. 30, 1939, totalled \$607,861, or approximately 99 per cent of the total, a most creditable record.

Under the terms of the act, 50 per cent of the losses were payable Nov. 1, and further payments April first in each year. The sums payable last November were made in full from premiums collected by that date. In areas A, B, C, E, and F claims totalling \$202,093 will be paid in full; and in areas designed D and G, loss awarded totalling \$353,561 will be paid on a pro rata basis of not less than 80 per cent.

Claims totalling \$545,654 were relatively heavy, especially in the first year of operation. However, the plan has stood a most severe test; and it is reasonable to expect it will continue to do so.

I wish at this time to comment the board and its officers for their whole hearted efforts in showing such a satisfactory statement; and I also wish to express our appreciation in the way in which the insured co-operated in the matter of meeting their premium payments without which the plan cannot succeed.

In addition to the financial assistance provided by the government with respect to the activities I have just mentioned, I think, Mr. Speaker, I should outline to the members of this assembly the assistance given by way of government guarantees which are not directly shown in the estimates that I will deal with later in my address. I refer now to the financing of agricultural relief.

Seed Requirements

In 1936 direct advances for agricultural relief were made by the province with the assistance of the dominion government to municipal and improvements districts for seed requirements. In the years 1937 and 1938 assistance was provided by the joint guarantee of the dominion and this government, and advances were made by the chartered banks to municipal authorities under the guarantee. The following figures will give you the position of these advances and guarantees as at Dec. 31, 1938:

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KEEPING ABREAST OF THE WORLD

FRANCO RECOGNIZED AT LAST

Prime Minister Chamberlain announced last Monday in the House of Commons that the British Government had decided to recognize Franco. The government supporters cheered whilst cries of "shame" came from the opposition.

Mr. Chamberlain concluded his statement with the words "The British Government has noted with satisfaction the public statements of General Franco concerning his determination to secure the traditional independence of Spain."

A report has come from London of anti-Franco demonstration. A crowd of about 1,000 marched from Trafalgar Square to Downing Street where the Prime Minister has his abode, shouting "No recognition for Franco" and "Chamberlain, must go." They were met, however, by 130 police, thirty of whom were mounted, and by three fire engines. This force persuaded the crowd to disperse.

Labour Leader Clement Attlee submitted a resolution of protest at the Spanish Embassy. He is reported earlier to have accused Mr. Chamberlain of "selling" the Spanish government and is said to have charged that Britain was now "going to consummate the treachery by recognizing a rebel, puppet government."

"FASTER AND VASTER"

"Faster and vaster" seems to be Britain's re-armament slogan. Warships are being launched at the rate of more than one per week, Malta and Gibraltar are being tuned up to war-time efficiency and Free-

town, the best natural harbour on the West coast of Africa is being fortified to protect an alternative route to the Orient.

There is also a report that Britain is planning a second Suez Canal to link the Palestine coast and Red Sea by way of the Jordan valley. This would provide an alternative route should the Suez Canal be blockaded or destroyed.

IS GERMANY MOBILIZING AGAIN?

A report comes from Manchester to the effect that while there has been no general mobilization order in Germany an abnormally large number of reservists have been called up and if this continues it will amount to general mobilization within a month.

The report also says that a considerable number of German troops have been sent to Africa.

It is also stated that German war material, including heavy artillery is being sent from Germany to Geneva, from whence it is being forwarded by the Italians to Libya.

FIGHTING ENDS IN SPAIN

It looks as if the fighting between "loyalists" and "insurgents" in Spain is now over. This sets the stage for another diplomatic struggle between democracy and fascism. Already the phrase "a Mediterranean Munich" has been coined and used. As at the original Munich, the dictatorist countries will come to the conference with armies already mobilized. We may rest assured that Italy and Germany will attend that conference, if it ever held, determined that

it shall inaugurate a "new order in the Mediterranean." That's a phrase being used in the German press. As to what it may mean, your guess is as good as ours.

ITALY GATHERS UP CANNON FODDER

From Rome comes the report that 3,000 Italians have returned to their homeland from France. Co-incidentally with this, Mussolini has issued decrees providing for militarization of the entire economic life of the nation and for the dividing of the country into military zones for the administration of economic life in war-time.

Mussolini must see something coming.

HUNGARY JOINS THE ANTI-COMINTERN

Hungary has formally joined Germany, Italy and Japan in an accord against Communism. Oddly enough, at the same time Hungary took steps to outlaw the Hungarian Nazi party known as the Hungarists, a party said to be over a million strong. But there is reason to think that this was a move "full of sound and fury, signifying nothing." The Hungarist party, foreseeing the government's action, has already taken steps to give birth to another party to which its members transferred and while some arrests were made they will prove of no real significance.

HONG KONG IS BOMBED

Japanese war-planes are reported to have bombed a railway station in the British crown colony of Hong Kong, killing a British Indian policeman and wounding about a dozen other persons.

Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador to Japan protested to the Japanese government who, after investigation, tendered an apology. Britain is said now to be demanding an indemnity.

GERMANY STILL AFTER JEWS

Police authorities in Berlin are now reported to be speeding up Jewish emigration. An order has gone forth that the Jewish community in Berlin must furnish each day a list of 100 Jews who will then be required to leave Germany within two weeks.

TIT FOR TAT OLIVER STANLEY'S

Oliver Stanley, President of the British Board of Trade, speaking at a banquet given to celebrate the opening of the British Industries Fair, warned Germany that Britain too must "export or die." The phrase was first used by Hitler in his recent Reichstag speech and had reference to Germany's threat of a "trade" war.

Of course we're all familiar with the idea, which, in its complete form appears to mean "export more than we import or die." But if every nation is to be under this necessity it is only logical to expect that there'll be some dead nations in the not far distant future.

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Says Combine Boosts Tubes

Charge that a radio combine boosts the price of radio tubes was made by Hon. W. D. Herridge, counsel for Philco Radio Products Ltd., when he resumed argument in the radio enquiry before the tariff board at Ottawa.

Canadian industry is divided into two groups, said Mr. Herridge. He protested against the one known as the patent group, comprised of Canadian General Electric, Northern Electric, Marconi and Westinghouse. He was not certain that Rogers Majestic fitted in.

This group, he maintained, controlled Thermionics Ltd., a company which itself controlled the licensing rights of all radio tubes manufactured in Canada.

Consequently, he proceeded, Canadians pay from 27% to 56% higher for their tubes than United States citizens.

Philco had started to import tubes from the U.S. to be sold at a lower price than the Canadian controlled tubes. Litigation was the result.

Mr. Herridge stated that the companies who controlled Thermionics themselves bought radio tubes, and he wanted to know whether they were charged the same as other companies, or a lesser price.

Aussie Act For Pensions Is Repealed

As forecast exclusively in Today and Tomorrow, repeal of the Australian national health and insurance act, which was so bitterly opposed by organized social credit and labor groups, will probably take place immediately.

Reason given is that the rearmament program provides too great a drain on financial resources!

The act, passed last summer, was compulsory and it affected all workers below certain status over 14 years.

It was to be financed by taxation. Now the taxation continues, but guns and shells will be bought.

Meantime, Australian social crediters, led by Senator Darcey, are pressing for costless money to build armaments and provide pensions and health services for all.

A monologue is a conversation between two people, such as husband and wife.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS MARKET REPORT

Wednesday, March 1, 1939

GRAIN

Edmonton Market prices

All prices basis Winnipeg Spot close.

Wheat, No. 1 Northern	.607½
Oats, No. 2 C.W.	.28½
Barley, 3 C.W.	.36
Flax, No. 1 C.W.	1.49¼
Rye, 2 C.W.	.41½

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BUTCHER CATTLE—

Steers, good to choice	6.00-6.50
Common to medium	4.75-5.75
Heifers, good to choice	5.50-6.00
Common to medium	3.50-5.25
Cows, good	3.50-4.25
Common to medium	2.50-3.25
Canners & cutters	2.25 down
BULLS, Good	2.50-3.50
Common	

STOCKERS & FEEDERS—

Good Steers	4.00-5.00
Others	3.75 down

VEAL CALVES—

Good to choice	8.00-8.50
Others	7.50 down

SHEEP—

Yearlings	4.50 down
Ewes	3.00 down
Lambs	7.00 down
Selects	9.35
Bacons	8.85
Butchers	7.85
Heavies	7.35
Extra Heavies	6.85
No. 1 Sows	6.35
No. 2 Sows	5.35-5.85

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leading it; that it is in our churches, in our great social and economic institutions, in the factory, on the farm, among the ex-soldiers. I called this movement the New Democracy.

And I said that the power behind this movement was the fact that the people at last know that Canada can give them all, security.

I found unbiased citizens in substantial agreement with me. But there were some who said I had left off too soon. For instance, members of one local group demanded to know what I would do to get prosperity. And I was invited, or challenged if you like, to speak my mind.

I am here in answer to that invitation. I am asked to say what I would do to put democracy on an operating basis, to banish the threat of fascism, to give this country, prosperity.

I will try to tell you. Tonight, I will go a good part of the way; and the rest of the way at another time.

The first thing that Canadians have to do, is to give their country a free parliament. Because today the parliament of Canada is not free to serve the people. The parliament of Canada is controlled by the old political parties. The old parties are controlled by reaction. Reaction opposes reform. So you must get rid of the old parties. There will never be prosperity in Canada until you do. That is the whole story in a few words.

Of what avail are great natural resources, when we cannot get our hands on them? Of what avail are people with superb productive power, if they are kept in idleness? This old economic system denies us the right, by our brains and hands, to turn our resources into immeasurable prosperity.

And so, the old system must be reformed and modernized. That is the job of parliament will not reform the system.

Therefore, before you can get

economic action, you must take political action. Before you can get economic reform, you must get political reform. You must vote the old parties out of parliament. Then you will find that economic reform is easy.

People Not Fools

That is plain, at last, to most of us. The people have been fooled for a long time. But the people are not fools. They begin to put the blame squarely where it belongs: on parliament.

The man in the street is talking in this way: "For twenty years or more," says he, "this country should have had security. Parliament could have given us security. But Parliament has been controlled by the old parties. And we never realized it. We put one party out, we put the other in," says the man on the street. "We tried the Conservatives; we tried the Liberals. We tried the Conservatives again; we tried the Liberals again. We will try them no more." So says the man on the street.

What is happening in Canada today? What is happening in the House of Commons today? Look at the terrible needs of the one. Look at the terrible futility of the other.

Is the man on the street not right? I will show you that the old parties are controlled by reaction: just as the new parties are controlled by democracy. Before I do, I want to say what I mean by the old parties.

When I speak of the old parties, I mean the party machine, the high command, the gang, the group of professional politicians which runs the party: which is the party. For the great majority of those who have voted Liberal or Conservative, have had nothing to say about their party or its policy. They voted Liberal or Conservative, believing they voted for liberalism, or for the national policy of conservatism. But they did not. For long ago, the old parties forsook their foundation principles.

The Liberal Party has betrayed liberalism and the people who believed in liberalism. The Conservative Party has betrayed the national policy and the people who believed in the national policy.

Those thus betrayed must therefore leave their parties. You know that they are doing so.

There are in Parliament, some members of the old parties just as guiltless as the least important party follower; and equally the victim of the party machine.

Many come to Parliament believing in liberalism; or in the national policy. But the machine lays its dead hand upon them. And their lights go out. They struggle, but they subside. Do they all subside?

Is there a man in the Conservative or Liberal Party with courage enough to rise in the House of Commons and renounce his claim to patronage, to a seat in the Senate, to a dip into the pork barrel; with vision enough to rise in the House of Commons and denounce his party, its incompetence, its treachery! In these old parties, is there a man with honour enough to rise in the House of Commons and to say, "My duty is to the people, not to the machine; my duty is to reform, not to reaction. I mean to do my duty!"?

A Man!

I tell you that is such a one there be, this country would rise also and cry, "There stands a man."

I have said that the Liberal and Conservative Parties are part of the old order. I will show why.

How could it be otherwise? The old order is a condition of mind, a concept, a philosophy, a manner of doing things, a special technique, a system founded upon scarcity.

It was made for the age of scarcity when conditions were fundamentally different from today. Therefore it cannot work well, today, unless it is changed to meet the new conditions. Every man to his trade. Every instrument to its proper use. You can't use a horse and buggy to fly. And you can't expect the old order to serve you in this age of abundance.

Now the old order is an operating entity. But it has two parts. One is the economic wing; the other is the political wing. They are complementary. They are mutually dependent. One speaks, the other is heard.

If you say that the vested interests belong to the old order because they think and act in a certain way, then likewise, the old political parties belong to the old order, because they think and act in the same way.

And that's my point. The old order is the old order, be it political or economic. If we want a new order, we must build one. We must remodel the capitalist system. We will keep all the good that's in it. That will be reform of the economic wing.

To remodel the political wing of reaction, means a much more drastic operation. For there is nothing good in it. We will replace it by a democratic party.

There is another reason why the old political parties are controlled by reaction.

When you give money to anyone you expect some return for it, unless you are a philanthropist. I have never heard anyone call such reaction a philanthropist.

When reaction gives money to anyone, reaction certainly expects some return for it.

Slush Funds

Reaction has always given money to the old parties. It is and has been the accepted practice for the Conservative and Liberal Parties to take financial contributions from the vested interests. They are called campaign funds. They are to the party what gasoline is to the en-

gine. For these financial contribution, reaction expects full value. Do you think it gets it?

Custom seems to clothe this practice with a snug respectability. But it is not respectable. It never was. Even in the old days of scarcity, when Parliament could do relatively little for the people, the practice was wrong. What is it, today, when a free Parliament could give the people real security? Yet the old parties will keep on taking money from reaction, though they know that reaction is the enemy of security.

If such treachery does not arouse you, if you pass by this prostitution of the people's rights to party greed; if laissez-faire has undermined our public morality to the point where we shrug our shoulders at this grave default, then God help this country! For the power of salvation will have gone out of us.

Now, I have told you why these old parties cannot serve the people. And they have not served the people. Look at the record.

First, take the Conservative Party.

Failure

I will establish its record of democratic failure by stating my experience with it.

I joined the Conservative Party in 1930. I knew nothing of politics. But I knew that the Conservative Party had a fearless and progressive leader. And I thought that the national policy of the Conservative Party stood for progress. Therefore I joined that party. I believed in it. I was sentimental about it. I had the highest hopes for the Conservative Party.

In the years that followed, in my humble way, with all my heart I tried to make the Conservative Party serve the people. I worked hard. I was close to the centre of things. I dreamed dreams. I thought this party had the will to save this country. From the first I should have known better. When four years ago, reaction throttled the brave efforts of the party's leader to effect reform, I certainly should have known better. But I did not learn my lesson even then. I do not wonder that some of you have found this lesson difficult to learn. It took a club to get it into my head.

July Convention

There was a Convention of the Conservative Party, last July. A week before that Convention, I made a speech at Halifax. In that speech I tried to warn the Conservative Party that reaction had its grip on it; that nothing could save it but progressive action. I appealed to the Conservative Party to fight for reform. I begged it to believe that no party ever had so great a chance to serve its country. What happened? The machine went grinding on. The professional politician was deaf and blind to me. Those thousand upon thousands of Conservatives who felt as I did, counted no more than I did.

I went to the Convention. When I learned of the party's reactionary platform, I thought it was my duty to protest.

I did protest. And I offered the Convention a resolution embodying a declaration of reform.

"Whereas there exists in Canada a condition of increasing want and unemployment;

And Whereas the national capacity to produce is now able to provide a high standard of security and prosperity for all our people;

And Whereas the present level of consumption is far below the na-

tional capacity to produce;

And Whereas the present level of consumption is due primarily to a failure of purchasing power;

And Whereas the task of democratic government is to raise the level of purchasing power to the potential level of production;

And Whereas upon the accomplishment of this task depends the maintenance of our democratic institutions;

Be It Resolved that the Liberal-Conservative Party pledges itself to undertake whatever economic and monetary reforms may be required to stabilize production upon its maximum level and to raise purchasing power to that level; recognizing that such reforms will involve a measure of government planning and control of the economic and monetary systems, and the support of all vital elements in an efficient economic system, such as collective bargaining, cooperative buying and selling, establishment of minimum prices and wages, control of monopolies, regulation of bank and mortgage rates." There the resolution ends.

This resolution is a declaration of the people's rights. Its purpose was to pledge the Conservative Party to fight for the people's rights. What is wrong with that? Undoubtedly wrong, from reaction's standpoint. But from the standpoint of the people, is it not right?

Rejected —

Yet this resolution was rejected by the Convention of the Conservative Party. For the machine ruled that Convention. The ordinary people of the party had nothing to say about it. I believe that they would pass that resolution today, if they were given a chance. But they never will be; at least by the Conservative Party.

Yet this party has the effrontery to ask the people to believe in it. It has lost all sense of shame: this once proud party, this one-time champion of the national policy. How it has fallen from its high estate. Who could rejoice at such a spectacle? Not even the party's most implacable enemy. And I was its friend, so terribly anxious to see it rise to that high place of power which the tragic needs of our people had made ready for it.

Now take the Liberal Party. It has been the government of Canada for the last 3½ years.

Never has there been so perilous a time as this in our whole history. We are the prisoners of a false freedom. Want and unemployment are the proof of it. Reaction is the cause of it.

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OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

By EVELYN WATSON HISCOX, B.A.
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USES FOR SOUR MILK

Good cooks the world over never throw out sour milk or sour cream! So, it is no reflection on your house-keeping if you discover some morning that the cream in your ice box has turned sour; but it is reflection on your if you dare to throw it away. Sour milk can be used in various ways of cooking, but the easiest and best uses for it are in breads, cakes, and cookies. One should understand before she undertakes making them, however, the kind of sour milk or cream with which she has to work. Milk that has soured quickly and attained a smooth consistency does not require as much soda as that which has soured over a longer period of time. If an insufficient amount of acid is used to react the baking soda present the heat of the oven will break down the excess soda, and the cookies or cake will have a soapy taste. The greater the amount of lactic acid present in sour milk or sour cream the less soda required to produce the desired reaction. To obtain the

best cooking results with either sour milk or cream, use the two products when they are fresh, with a definite sour taste, have a smooth consistency, and before they display a mould. A good test for the detection of the presence of a mould is to smell and taste it. Sour milk or cream can generally be used any time during the first week of their sour taste.

SOUR MILK BISCUITS

2 cups bread flour.
2 teaspoons baking powder.
1/2 teaspoon salt.
3 tablespoons shortening.
1 cup buttermilk or sour milk.
1/2 teaspoon soda, stirred into the milk, immediately before adding the milk to the dry ingredients.

Mix and sift flour, baking powder and salt; rub the shortening in with the fingers; add soda to sour milk and stir it slowly into the flour mixture—to make a soft dough. The dough should be soft, but not sticky; roll lightly or pat to desired thickness and cut with floured cookie cutter; bake in hot oven, 450 degrees F.

SOUR MILK MUFFINS

1 3/4 cups bread flour.
1/2 teaspoon baking powder.
1/2 teaspoon salt.
1/4 cup shortening.
1/4 cup sugar.

2 eggs.
1 cup milk.
1/2 teaspoon baking soda.
1 teaspoon warm water.

Mix and sift flour, baking powder and salt; cream the shortening; add the sugar, then add the egg-yolks, well beaten; add flour and milk alternately to butter-sugar-egg mixture, stirring and beating only enough to thoroughly mix the ingredients; add the soda, dissolved in the warm water; beat it in, then fold in the stiffly whipped egg-whites; pour into heated and well-greased gem pans and bake in a rising over to 400 degrees F., 30 to 35 minutes.

SOUR MILK JOHNNY CAKE

1/4 cup shortening.
1/4 cup sugar.
1/2 teaspoon salt.
1 egg (separated).
1 cup sour milk.
1/2 teaspoon soda.
1/2 cup cornmeal.
1 cup bread flour.
1 1/2 teaspoons baking power.

Cream the shortening; add the sugar and beat well; add the egg yolk; mix and sift the flour, baking powder and salt; add the cornmeal; stir the soda into the sour milk and add to butter-sugar-egg mixture alternately with the flour; beat to make smooth; fold in the stiffly beaten egg-whites; pour into greased shallow pan or into hot greased muffin tins; bake at 350 degrees.

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With the Impending Passage of a Teacher's Pension Act in Alberta, the Following is of Interest

The Province of Alberta has never had a teachers' pension plan although for more than a quarter of a century teachers have been pointing out the value and urging the need of it. The Hon. J. R. Boyle, Minister of Education in the Sifton and Stewart governments, promised it, but his promises were never fulfilled. The U.F.A. government recognized its urgent need but likewise did nothing, except to pass a resolution empowering the Minister to make grants to teachers who, by reason of long service

and disability, were unable to continue in their profession. This was a straight fund for indigent teachers, and has continued up until the present but even now not all indigent teachers are being cared for. Last year the government's expenditures for this purpose amounted to the insignificant sum of \$2,340.00.

Alberta so far as its teachers are concerned, is like a pensionless island in the British Empire; an economic island surrounded by operating and effective pension systems—the only "blank spot" in the whole British Empire so far as pensions are concerned.

The Government, and especially the Department of Education and the Alberta Teachers' Association have given much study and consideration to all the other systems in operation and as a result a proposed bill containing the best that could be learned from them has been drafted.

PRINCIPLE ENDORSED

The principle of teachers' pensions has been endorsed by the Provincial Home and School Association, by the Alberta Trustees' Association, by school boards in Edmonton, Calgary, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat and elsewhere; by Women's Institute in many places and also by service clubs, which have interested themselves in the educational problem.

PURPOSE

It is thought that an adequate pension plan will serve many beneficial purposes, namely:

- (1) It will attract the educational system of the Province more persons of outstanding ability in the teaching profession. There are many more splendid men and women of excellent character and ability who would devote their lives to this great public service even at great sacrifices if they had the assurance that they would be provided for in old age. Thus would the educational standards of the Province be elevated materially;
- (2) It will retain teachers in the teaching profession. At present many leave the profession before they have reached the peak of their efficiency. The proposed plan will tend to decrease this loss of teaching power;
- (3) It will enable school boards to

ware, rinse in clear, tepid water, and polish with soft cheese cloth.

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(4) There are now a few cases of needy teachers who have served faithfully during the period of extremely low salaries and who have acted as pioneers of education in this province. They have nothing to look forward to as a reward for their sacrifice. The sooner a pension plan is put into operation, the sooner will these teachers derive a well-earned benefit;

(5) Most of the teachers now serving in Alberta are young and if the plan is put into operation at once an adequate reserve fund can be built up for the future when payments to beneficiaries of the fund will be of an adequate fund more difficult.

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Tanner Plans Oil Mission To Britain

Hon. N. E. Tanner, Minister of Lands and Mines, may head a mission to Britain with a proposal to operate an oil pipeline for the admiralty, it was stated Tuesday.

The minister told newspapers that no definite decision as to the personnel of the mission, or date of leaving, had been set, and that it was unlikely that action would be taken until after the legislature prorogues.

Ottawa reports have stated that Dr. G. S. Hume, of the federal geographical survey, and Walter Campbell, former Anglo-Canadian director, would accompany the Alberta minister. Dr. Hume would act in an advisory capacity.

Petroleum Association officials have for months been working for a conference between Alberta oilmen and British government officials with regard to financing a pipeline to the Pacific coast so as to supply the navy with needed fuel.

"I would like to go if I find it would not be until the end of the session. We should know definitely in a few weeks."

Observers of international affairs stress that the building of a pipeline is a vital necessity to British naval vessels, as in the event of hostilities the main Empire pipelines would be jeopardized by Mediterranean forces.

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House Demands Credit Issue Wheat Board Must Function

The Legislature adopted a motion on Tuesday which demanded a debt free credit issue by the Dominion government. Introduced by D. Bruce MacMillan, Lacombe, the motion carried by 40 to 6. N. B. James, Acadia, was seconder.

Speaking to the motion, the Lacombe member stated that if the dominion authorities would issue debt free money for a work and wages program to remove people from relief rolls, Albertans were confident that in a short time the federal government would learn that they must go the rest of the way and issue a dividend.

Greatest problem today was shortage of purchasing power, he said. The money policy of the federal government was shaking confederation to its foundation. He declared that the pegged price of wheat had proven money could not be adequately distributed through industry.

While control of money remained in the bankers' hands, Alberta could not carry out her program for economic security for all. Neither public ownership nor trade treaties, nor unemployment insurance, were a solution to current economic problems.

Mr. James pointed to the present huge expenditures for naval and other armaments, but stressed that very little money was found to end poverty. "If the dominion government does not act on this motion, I hope the opposition will forever cease their criticism," he added.

Where was the Declaration of Independence signed? At the bottom.

Leonardo do Vinci was a nude painter.

In a radio address sponsored by the United Farmers of Alberta Tuesday evening, Hon. D. B. Mullen, Minister of Agriculture, urged the continuation of the Canadian Wheat Board and a set price for western wheat.

The minister criticized the proposed change in federal policy, and declared that the acreage basis which is projected would be a cumbersome and expensive method. During 1938 the average grade for western wheat was No. 3 Northern, he said later, and the price to the farmer had been 55 cents a bushel under the pegged price. Pegged price for No. 1 should be 87½ cents, basis Fort Norman, which would make the average grade bushel worth 60 cents.

Under present marketing systems, wheat sold at the elevator immediately became export wheat, he stated, and very often a farmer who sold all his wheat without making provision for seed and feed forced such low grades on the export market.

"Farmers should be required to keep on hand sufficient for seed and feed," he stressed.

SOME BONERS

A circle is a round line with no kinks in it, joined up so as not to show where it began.

What is the chief cause of divorce? Marriage.

What is the hide of a cow used for? To cover the cow.

A martyr is something like a bachelor.

Oliver Group

The Oliver Social Credit Group held their regular meeting in the Orange Hall on 114 st. on Friday, Feb. 17, at 7.30 o'clock. During the meeting five new applications for membership were accepted by the Group. This was followed by a public meeting at 8.30 o'clock. Mr. Armstrong, president of the group, was acting as chairman. Miss Leebie presided at the piano. This meeting opened with the singing of the Social Credit Theme Song. A program was arranged—those taking part were:

Two vocal solos by Betty Ritchie accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Ritchie; tap dancing by Miss Dorothy David; two piano solos by Walter Sorenson; song and tap dancing by Miss Virginia Lee Hardy, accompanied on the piano by Miss Leebie.

The guest speakers for the evening were Mr. R. E. Ansley, M.L.A., Leduc, and Mr. A. J. Hooke, M.L.A. Red Deer. Mr. F. M. Baker, M.L.A. Clover Bar, and Mr. David Lush, M.L.A. Empress, were also present.

Mr. Ansley gave a very interesting talk on economics. Mr. Hooke gave a very splendid address on the

use of Treasury Vouchers. A good crowd was present and enjoyed the complete program. The meeting closed by singing God Save the King.

The next meeting of the Group will be held on Friday, March 17. A good program is being arranged. Come on, folks. You'll be glad you came.

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BUDGET SPEECH TEXT

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	Original Amount	Balance unpaid as at Dec. 31/38
1936 Advances:		
Special areas	\$ 86,908	\$ 81,798
Semi-arid districts	29,675	23,445
Balance of province	712,768	115,845
	\$ 829,352	\$ 221,088
1937 Guaranteed Advances:		
Special areas	\$ 331,899	\$ 252,312
Semi-arid districts	302,248	181,248
Balance of province	690,400	142,478
	\$1,324,548	\$ 576,039
1938 Guaranteed Advances:		
Special areas	\$ 584,181	\$ 536,993
Semi-arid districts	491,952	374,766
Balance of province	317,382	134,265
	\$1,393,516	\$1,046,029

Total advances and borrowings guaranteed amounted in the three years under review to \$3,547,417. Payments to December 31, 1938, totalled \$1,704,259, and the unpaid balance was \$1,843,158. Of this amount \$1,622,069 represents advances made by the banks under the guarantee of both the dominion and the province. I might add that 86.85 per cent of the advances made in the special areas of the province, 70.3 percent of those in the semi-arid districts, and 22.8 per cent pertaining to seed supplied in the balance of the province remain unpaid.

These advances were restricted to seed and spring requirements only, and do not include other assistance granted for fodder or fuel oil directly by the province under appropriations provided in the estimates and by special warrant. I feel, Mr. Speaker, that the reduction can be regarded as very satisfactory in view of the crop conditions in the areas where the distribution was made! and it is reasonable to anticipate further reductions before the province is required to implement its guarantee.

At various times in and outside of this assembly, charges have been made that the government has given little or no assistance to municipal and school authorities. I should like to point out, however, that in addition to the appropriations made by the legislature, the province has given, both by direct advances from the treasury and under guarantee, assistance to municipalities and school districts in order that they may maintain those services which are essential to the well-being of the people within their respective units, and which, without government assistance in some form, they could not otherwise provide.

I give you, Mr. Speaker, the following figures, setting out this form of assistance furnished from 1931 to 1938 inclusive.

	School Purposes	Municipal Purposes	Total
1931-1933	\$ 232,818	\$ 28,100	\$ 260,918
1934	75,703	11,649	87,353
1935	88,276	41,609	129,885
1936	111,938	58,738	170,677
1937	233,875	17,800	251,675
1938	390,420	6,000	396,420
	\$1,133,033	\$163,897	\$1,296,930

TREASURY LOANS

In addition to the above, the following sums were advanced directly by the government:

	School Purposes	Municipal Purposes	Total
1937	\$ 78,515	\$ 45,507	\$ 124,023
1938	70,084	66,601	136,686
	\$ 148,600	\$112,109	\$ 260,710

East Park Group

The regular meeting of the East Park Social Credit Group was held Wednesday, February 22, at the home of Mr. R. J. Griffiths, 8305 119 Ave.

About 35 members attended. Mrs. Rogers, M.L.A., was the guest speaker. She gave an interesting talk on her speaking tour of Nova Scotia and Eastern Canada. She also explained to the women of the group the benefits gained from a "Ladies' Auxiliary."

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. Longmore, 11813 85 Street on March 8.

Everyone is welcome.

Rossdale

Rossdale Group No. 347 held a social evening in the Mission Hall 100 A Street. The social committee are to be congratulated on the fine program provided by them under the chairmanship of Mrs. Hoosier, our social convener. Our group slogan is "Only a stronger once."

Our next whist drive and dance will be held in the same hall 100 A Street and 97 ave. March 10 at 8 p.m.

Our group meetings are held the first Monday in the month at 9521 101 st. 8 p.m. So come along and join us.

Human Documents

An Epitaph

Here lieth buried as much as could die of Anne, the Wife of Izaak Walton, a woman of remarkable prudence and of a primitive piety; her great and general knowledge being adorned with such true humility, and chastened with so much Christian meekness, as made her worthy of a more memorable monument. She died (alas, that she is dead!) the 17th of April, 1662, aged 53.

Study to be like her.

—In Worcester Cathedral.

(The epitaph is worthy of the quaint philosophy of the author of the "Compleat Angler." Izaak Walton survived his beloved wife 21 years, dying at the age of 90.)

Guarantees and direct loans to school districts during the same period amounted to \$59,930. Borrowings guaranteed, and direct loans from the treasury for school and municipal purposes totalled during the years 1931 to 1938, \$1,616,571. At Dec. 31, 1938, payments made had reached a total of \$908,979, and the balance outstanding was \$707,591. Of this sum, \$458,334 is due the government of the province, and \$249,257 is carried by the lending banks under the guarantee of the province.

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TEACHERS' RETIREMENT FUND

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The plan differs from an annuity, which pays back the amount contributed plus interest, because next year about thirty teachers who will have contributed nothing will receive benefits. These benefits will be built up by the deduction of one-sixth of the contributions of the other teachers (i.e. one-half of one per cent.) for the first five years during which the other teachers contribute.

Every teacher in elementary, intermediate, high, technical, vocational and separate schools will come under the provisions of the proposed bill. The provisions of the bill will not be retroactive and will become effective on the September 1st, after receiving assent.

Benefits from the plan will not be attachable by garnishment or other legal process.

The proposed Bill calls for a contribution of three per cent. of their salaries from all teachers. Other funds received by the Board will include gifts and legacies and income derived from the fund.

The Board of Administration, whose members will serve without remuneration, will consist of four persons—two named by the Lieutenant Governor in Council and two named by the Lieutenant Governor in Council after nomination by the Alberta Teachers' Association.

BOARD POWERS

The Board will be empowered to carry on the duties of administration and to make by-laws, subject to the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, respecting, among other things, the sums to be given as benefits to teachers, re-

tirement age, refunds to teachers leaving the profession before retirement, and so forth. It will be an actuarial board. An individual account will be kept for each teacher. The government will provide offices, but other expenses will be paid by the Board.

All School Boards will be obligated to make deduction of 3 per cent. from every teacher's salary, and to make returns to the government every six months. The government will deduct from the school grants the amounts collected by the School Board from the teacher, and the Provincial Treasurer will pay to the fund the amounts retained from the grants.

The proposed Bill provides that all by-laws of the Board approved by the Lieutenant Governor in Council must be published in the Alberta Gazette. The Bill regulates investments in which the fund's monies may be invested; provides for filling vacancies of the Board; arrange for audits and so forth.

In what order do the gospels come? One right after the other.

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at least a great number of public meetings.

COUNCILLORS INTERESTED

"I might add that among the thirty-five city councillors of Montreal we have at least seven or eight who are 'interested' in Social Credit, which is not a bad record considering that all that work was done under tremendous handicaps by our boys and without financial assistance of any kind."

Other speakers were L. E. Gingras, organizer of the meeting; Raymond Lapointe, secretary of the Montreal district; Louis Even, Secretary of the League, and R. J. Zanettin, president of the Quebec S. C. League, Montreal district.

Honored guests were: J. H. Blackmore, M. P., René Pelletier, M.P., Orvis Kennedy, M.P., Armand Tailon, Alderman for Préfontaine; E. Durocher, Alderman for Lafontaine.

DISTRICT PROUD

The Montreal District is justly proud of this success which shows that we are gradually reaping the benefits of the seeds we have sown in the last couple of years and it is an inspiration and an encouragement for us to keep on going and not rest on our laurels, until we have reached our goal for economic security and political freedom.

We are glad also to have this opportunity of letting our brothers in the West that down East there is a growing army of Social Crediters waiting for the signal to join with the western forces on a general drive to unsettle the "financial enemy" once and for all.

Keep up the good work up there because Quebec is coming along stronger than ever and still gathering strength as we are pushing forward.

Budget Highlights

No new taxes.
Provision for increased social services.

No taxes increases affecting individuals.

Estimated overall deficit for fiscal year \$1,001,000.

\$465,000 less than last year.

Estimated revenue at \$18,818,745.

Estimated expenditure (income account) \$17,621,175.52.

Estimated surplus on income account \$1,197,569.48.

Improvement over last year \$677,614.14.

Budget total \$25,000,000.

Includes final payment of \$5,000,000 on N.A.R. from C.P.R.

This payment hypothecated to banks.

Public debt \$155,606,208.09.

Sinking fund against this totals \$12,633,078.01.

Net funded debt totals \$143,573,130.08.

Vulcan

A women's Social Credit group was organized in Vulcan October 27, 1938, by Mr. Dawson, M.L.A. our member for Little Bow constituency. Mrs. A. J. Clayton is president, Mrs. Fred Anderson, vice-pres., and Mrs. A. McKague, sec.-treas. We hold meetings every two weeks in the members' homes. New members are joining at every meeting. A library is started in the books members have turned in and pamphlets that have been received from the League and from Boston, Mass. The members save good clippings and they are also read either at the meetings or taken home by other members to read at home. Our group sponsored a broadcast from the Bible Institute, Calgary, in January.

We bought the Brief for Alberta and are reading it.

We are hoping to have a Treasury Branch in Vulcan before long. Our group means to go ahead as Social Credit is the only solution to the present day problems.

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No Remedy From Belleville. . .

TORONTO.—Canada needs a new political party, according to Mayor Bone of Belleville.

"I suggest that the first plank in their platform should be a trial of all political crooks as well as all politicians," he said, "From there they should take a stand for Canada as a full red-blooded nation, a co-partner in the greatest and best managed empire the world has ever seen."

Ringier sentiments, Mr. Bone, but apart from your reference to political crooks, what does it all mean?

We have at least seven distinct political parties already. Seriously, do we need another?

The political and economic unified life of society is stagnant. What we need is a movement of a determined people. . . not a another party of dissatisfied politicians.

Matthew 7—7 . . .

OTTAWA.—Announcement that the Federal Treasury will not bonus wheat growers after August 1 was made by Hon. J. E. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture.

The 80c peg for No. 1 Northern wheat will cost the taxpayers about \$48,000,000 the Minister estimated.

Besides the present legislation does not offer a solution for our marketing problems," he said with admirable perception.

Inferring that his alternative is a remedy, Mr. Gardiner says he intends to introduce legislation by which government will stay out of the grain trade, wheat being marketed by means of the futures market system.

This has all the earmarks of surrender. Western farmers will be thrown to the wolves with vengeance when this threat is carried out.

Why not demand that the peg be raised and the bonus be paid in debt free money?

Unite for this result and we shall get it.

In the Limestone . . .

OTTAWA.—R. A. Brown, Calgary oil man is responsible for the report that a pipe line will be constructed from Turner Valley to the head of the Great Lakes. It is estimated the cost will run from \$15,000,000 to \$25,000,000.

Such an undertaking would appear to rival some of the proposals of the central committee of Technocrats.

There is of course, no inherent difficulty in laying such a pipe line. We have plenty of pipe. We have plenty of space. And machines. And men!

A project of this nature is good business under any other than the present financial system. Properly arranged, it involves the creation of a necessary service. And its cost would be redeemed by other production.

Under the present system, the cost will result in an increasing debt.

It is true that \$25 millions will be put into circulation. But having done so, the system demands that this amount be absorbed from the public again, and again.

Nor is there anything objectionable to this practice. . . if there was any way to repay such debts, other than incurring a larger debt.

Try it again, please.

For Members Only . . .

OTTAWA.—It seems there is a section of the Dominion's election act which forbids Members of Parliament to sign a pledge to do such and so for their constituents.

Robert Fair (S.C. Battle River) wants this section struck out of the Act.

Without taking sides in the matter, we submit that a representative has three duties:

1. He must ask his constituents what they want.

2. He must tell the government what his constituents want.

3. He must insist that the government gets for his constituents what they ask for.

That is all. . . The only qualifications needed by a representative of the people is bull dog determination and the ability to do as he is told.

Come Again . . .

TIMMINS.—Now it's secession of northern Ontario.

Mayor Bartleman of this northern centre suggested such a course as a means to get proper recognition from the southern part of the province.

Such tactics are, of course, designed merely to attract publicity. Secession is the bogey-word of the moment. It's been popping out of every dark corner from Halifax to Vancouver. . .

EXCEPT Alberta!

This Province, with far greater provocation of secessionist sentiments than any other, is holding tighter to the ideal of unity.

By the way, how would a province go about seceding?

More Secession Talk . . .

OTTAWA.—When the Senate met recently there was nothing on the order paper for the old gentlemen to tackle. No problem awaited the gyrations of their mighty minds.

And so they adjourned again.

Costing over half a million dollars per year this relic of an older day is of microscopic value to the welfare of the Canadian people.

If the gentlemen in the red plum chamber were less inactive, we would suggest they be used to carry on the royal commissions of which Mackenzie King is so fond.

The argument against such a function might be that there are too many members to do any good.

Well, do Royal Commissions?

Mushrooms always grow in wet places, and so they look like umbrellas.

To keep milk from souring, you should keep it in the cow.

A spinster is a bachelor's wife.

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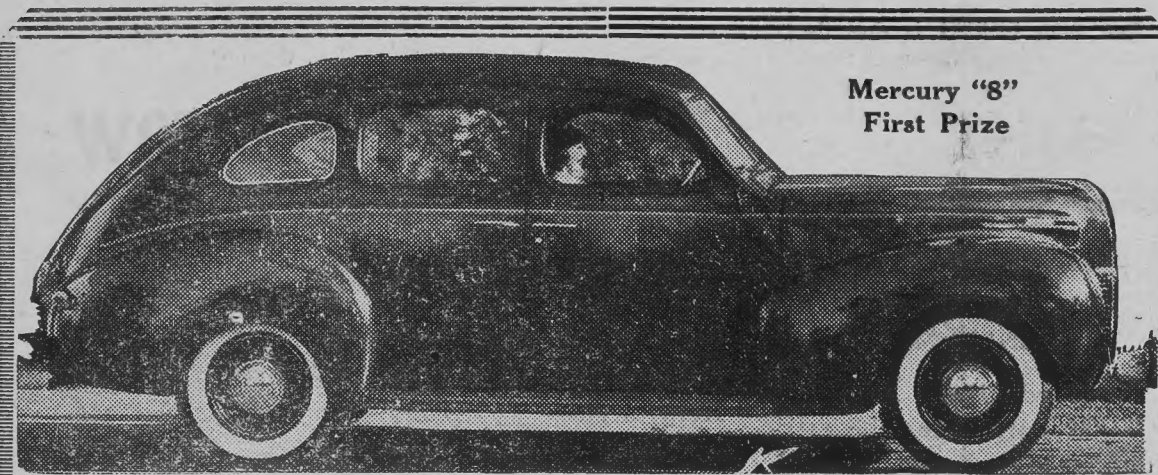
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